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TAGS: OGEN SENV

SUBJ: GROUNDING OF CYPRIOT REGISTERED TANKER "LUCKY ERA"
ON BAHAMAS REEF

1. SUBJECT VESSEL GROUNDED 21 JAN IN POSITION 22-20N, 72-35W
EAST OF MAYAGUANA ISLAND. COAST GUARD REPORTED VESSEL ABANDONED
AND BURNING. NO EVIDENCE OF POLLUTION.

2. MASTER OF VESSEL REMOVED BY COAST GUARD TO GRAND TURK
HOSPITAL. TWO INJURED PERSONS REMOVED BY COAST GUARD TO
MIAMI HOSPITAL. TWO PERSONS REPORTED KILLED IN FIRE. THE
REMAINING 32 SURVIVORS PICKED UP AND ARE PRESENTLY ON BOARD
THE RUSSIAN VESSEL ALEKSANDRA KOLLENTAY, WHICH RESPONDED TO
DISTRESS, AND PRESENTLY UNDERWAY TO NASSAU TO DISEMBARK SUR-
VIVORS. ETA NASSAU 221400 LOCAL.

3. EMBASSY RECEIVED TIMELY AND ACCURATE REPORTS FROM COAST
GUARD WHO WAS IN RADIO CONTACT WITH BOTH THE RUSSIAN VESSEL
AND COAST GUARD UNITS ON THE SCENE. IN TURN, EMBASSY WAS
ABLE TO KEEP GCOB MINEXTAFF UPDATED AS EVENTS DEVELOPED.

4. GCOB MINISTRY OF HEALTH OFFICIALS INTERESTED IN THE POS-
SIBILITY OF POLLUTION DAMAGE WERE IN CONTACT WITH COAST GUARD
REGARDING THIS SUBJECT.

5. MINEXTAFF EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR EMBASSY'S CONCERN
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AND WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE TIMELY AND ACCURATE REPORTS OF

THE GROUNDING AND RESCUE OPERATIONS.

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